EFFECTS OF ENCYCLOPEDIA OF RELIGION ON SCHOLARS PERFORMANCE AT UNIVERSITY LEVEL

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ABSTRACT:

Effects of Encyclopedia of Religion on Scholars Performance at University Level were a new study. The objectives of the study were: (1) to identify the encyclopedia of religion at higher level; (2) to examine the effects of encyclopedia of religion on Scholars' performance at higher level. The study was very significant for the university level Scholars, through which they can do their investigations very effectively. All the religious department of (18) public sector universities were constituted as the population for this study. A sample of (80) scholars from three religious departments of public sector universities were selected randomly. Questionnaire was developed as research instrument. Data were collected through Questionnaire from the M. Phil and Ph. D. Scholars of religious study. Simple statistics were applied. It is recommended that religious students and especially scholars must need to study Encyclopedia of Religion for strengthen their knowledge, critical thinking. It is recommended that scholars must read it with the Quranic Dictionary, scholars must strong their English language, especially literary term in the Encyclopedia of Religion, and scholars have to learn religious terminologies.

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1. Introduction

Religious creed that associates the human race in order of existence, cultural system, is a collection that has been organized view of the world. Many religions, in order to explain the meaning of life, and / or life or purpose and story to explain the origin of the universe, the symbol has a sacred history. From their beliefs about the universe and human nature, people can be derived morality, ethics, the life style of religious laws and priority. Many religions behavior, clergy, the definition of what constitutes adherence or membership, there is a possibility that has organized a sacred place, the scriptures. Religious practice, ritual, preaching, Memorial or worship (God, gods and goddesses), of sacrifice, festival, festival, transformer, initiation, funeral services, marriage services, meditation, prayer, that include music, art, dance can be, other aspects of public services and human culture. Religion also can include a myth. Word of religion is sometimes used interchangeably with a set of beliefs and duties. It is however, in that it is "extremely social thing", in the words of Durkheim, and religion is different from the private faith. In the global 2012 poll, who include the 13%, 9% and decrease in religious belief from reporting an average of 2005 the 59% of the world's population as a religion, such as 36% with and without "religious", and women is "more religious" than men, it is atheist. Some people, regardless of whether of religious principle if they follow, I will allow the traditionally syncretism according to more than one religion or more of

religious principles at the same time.[1] Islam, the Qur'an, God (Allah) is literally to be adherents of the Islamic holy book is a monotheistic Abrahamic religion articulated by the majority of the proponents of teaching and normative example of the way of life (or Sunnah); It is also considered to be the last prophet of God, many of the prophetic tradition (or hadith) of Muhammad (c. 570-8 June 632 CE) consists of. Islam is a Muslim adhesive (sometimes put Islam) is called. God of Islam, considered incomparable and the purpose of life is to worship God. Muslims to Islam, Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus was first discovered many times before through His prophets in the faith, and is universal version. Previous messages and revelations partially misinterpreted or they are considered to have changed over time.[2] However, unchanged from the Koran in Arabic, is God's final revelation, both. Religious concepts and practice the basic concepts of family life and beliefs must act, banks, and a good variety of topics guidance, life and touches almost all aspects of society and includes the five pillars of Islam and Islamic law are the following environment. Sunni (75-90%) or Shia (10-20%): Most Muslims are the two denominations. Approximately 13% of the Muslims in Indonesia, the largest Muslim, in most countries, 25% in South Asia, the Middle East, 20%, 15% live in sub-Saharan Africa. Considerable number of Muslims in Europe, China, Russia and the United States has been found. Converts, immigrants are almost all parts of the world. 1.6 billion or 23% of the world's total population, the disciples of Islam are the second largest religion in the world's fastest growing

[1] Immanual Kant, *Religion and Rational Theology* (Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2001).
[2] Berger Peter L, *The Desecularization of the World: Resurgent Religion and World Politics* (Washington DC, USA: Grand Rapids, MI: Eermans Publishing Co, 1999).

religion.[3] The encyclopedia, it is all the branches and the type of reference work and compendium that holds a comprehensive overview of information from any branch of knowledge of knowledge. Encyclopedia are usually divided into articles and entry accessed in alphabetical order of the article name. Encyclopedia entry is long; it is more detailed than those of most of the dictionary.[4] Generally, differs from the dictionary entries focus on language information about words, Talking, Encyclopedia article focuses on the fact information to cover things and concepts to article name stand. Encyclopedia was present from about 2,000 years ago. Yet exist, Museum of the oldest is, AD 77 by Pliny the Elder, which has been written about. Encyclopedia of modern, developed from a dictionary of time in the 17th century. Historically, some of the Encyclopedia, Encyclopedia Britannica, such as had been included in one volume, other such as encyclopedia Italian, (62 volumes, 56000 pages), or the maximum of the world, encyclopedia Universal ilustrada of Europeo - Americana (118 volume, 105000 page), whereas, work of a multi-volume became huge. Some of the modern encyclopedia such as such Wikipedia, electronic, you can use often freely.[5]

2. REVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE

The first encyclopedia of religion. Its publication, therefore, is itself truly excellent event. Editor Jeff Kaplan, editors and executives Laura Hobgood-Oster, Adrian Ivakhiv, Michael York, consulting, not only has been to explore the religion, of Bron Taylor relationship, and many of

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[3] Thomas W Lippman, *No God but God* (London, UK: New England, 2008).
[4] K.JamesGregoryJames.Gregory HartmanR.R, “Dictionary of Lexicography,” *Dictionary of Lexicography* (London, UK: Routledge, 1998).
[5] Cowie A.P, *The Oxford History of English Lexicography: Volume I: General-Purpose Dictionaries; Volume II: Specialized Dictionaries* (Oxford, New York: Oxford University Press, 2009).

Associate Despite the assistant editor, is created, and has been the culmination of the history of the field. It was historic because new research document. This is the religion of the investigation, but twenty of people's awareness of the mid-19th century, ecological crisis coming to a more vivid, of in the light. Encyclopedia of religion is a contribution which is excellent in the field of natural religion.[6] It is exotic, presents cover movements serious, ideas, scholars, and the activity of virtually all continents and many cultures, and, in many cases, results in the front of the history to meet the crisis ecosystem[7] as encyclopedia is very convenient in that you get to start it is very accessible to undergraduate students, received a general education. Its specialized topics, broad on the topic, the range of growth literature, and it not only help scholars, has a more advanced special features. Anne Marie Dalton and Nancie Erhard, ichthyology we explore the spiritual nature of the road to remember this encyclopedia excellent connection, and we will be in the world is more caring and environmentally sustainable so far describes the important initiatives in more than it difficult Statements. emergent tackle "greening" religion, and us in life, so far of ecology match efforts to leave the footprints every day, of us to it is possible to prevent the destruction of the natural indifference, before it's too late, we can reflect the belief that there is a lot of very rapidly spread? Contributions in the world heal some of the scars that we have given, certainly to, the reason is, I hope. religion and anyone important academic resources for care about the future of Earth, together we in order to for future generations to save our beautiful world, more effective basis to work glory of methods that can be of encyclopedia.

[6] Askkennazi Lehrman S, *Signals Are Timely* (Nature, 1997), 315–16.
[7] A.L Herman, *A Brief Introduction to Hinduism: Religion, Philosophy and Ways of Libration* (Westview: Boulder Colo, 1991).

Religion cover encyclopedia of, well, a range of encyclopedia. Number two huge volume, the entire field at 1.5 million words ... it is, reference work library, religious groups, it is not essential to environmental groups, multicultural valuable true breathtakingly. In it you, nearly a thousand details, academic, and "Abbey, Edward '(America's leading fiction and nonfiction radical environment find surprisingly well written essays on everything from 1) of the writer "Zulu culture." is very broad editor of ERN that cast the net, interpreting "natural" modern and environmental protection ecology and " broad moral for all aspects of religion "includes political, social, aesthetic, and the traditional variety of perspectives. Encyclopedia will be an important reference in dialogue with religious critically important religious and environmental issues. Pretty impressive in scope -1000 entry by more than 500 local authorities, is particularly worthy scholars and activists environmental ethics, science, and policy, local, regional, and in order to bridge the conviction to the appropriate level of global. Professor of identification university professor and philosophy, Colorado State University, USA. Encyclopedia of religion is an important contribution to a new study of religion and ecology.[8] I me clearly reminded of the importance of scholarship screen with some impressive article. We are indebted to Taylor and Kaplan for superior performance this work supervision.[9] Ecologically logical Encyclopedia for our time - this is any of the standard academic work, by work that causes a revolutionary and awe, there. Kindle of Ehrlich, Ecos: British journals of Nature protection. Library, religious groups, a reference about truly

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[8] Brody Brunch A, *The Ethics of Biomedical Research: An International Perspective* (New York, USA: Oxford University Press, 1988).
[9] R.Children Levine R, *Ethics and Regulation of Clinical Research* (New Haven, USA: Yale University Press, 1988).

multicultural and drink famous breath indispensable to environmental groups, maid.[10] Roger Gottileb, religion of Tikkuun. Encyclopedia religious field and contribute greatly to the ecology of the new research. In some impressive article, clearly reminiscent of the importance of scholarship screen. Religion encyclopedia of the environment. It is a major and has contributed to the study of mental collection of wisdom.[11] If you have ever personally see work belonging to the library of religious scholars, this one gives an unusual richness of. colors are, it is often the entry is unexpected, with many of the urgency of the ecological problem that the tackle people, a group has been written well, in many cases, you are ready to hand in the essay to be crazy about the frequent and persistent browsing Taylor is intended to provide information about events and various tissues.[12] it can be and must be maintained established religion to promote natural and cultural Study Group, etc. project, we have established a web site in conjunction with, the research and education in the field of religion.[13] we, this can become an attractive source of the other social scientists in the field of religion wished still hand to this excellent alternative to maintain the volume Chikai reasons -. It is what can be expected self Encyclopedia, often can be made to widen the understanding of religion and spirituality, is short. ERN is to promote dialogue, promote interdisciplinary research, common to them (academic) wide enlightenment, was related to religion, evaluation, analysis, characterize, and major discussion, events, personality, group, theory, and traditional

[10] Ainslie Embree, *Sources of Indian Tradition; From the Begining to 1800*, 2nd ed. (New York, USA: Columbia University Press, 1988).
[11] Levine R, *Ethics and Regulation of Clinical Research*.
[12] Weijer C and E. J. Emanuel, “Ethics. Protecting Communities in Biomedical Research,” *Science (New York, N.Y.)* 289, no. 5482 (August 18, 2000): 1142–44.
[13] Levine R, *Ethics and Regulation of Clinical Research*.

more was intended to promote.... in this success.[14] This intensive academic, deep color. However, it also is very enlightening as remarkably easy to read. Each article, as the famous essay, but stand on its own, taken together, article, the theme stands for years to come as a complete test to provide the introduction ... ERN is very complete Na, very detailed, studied with great care, very ambitious, it is an important piece of work, and very useful and important. It is, to be interested in people and anthropology, philosophy and religion sociology, going to be important and valuable tool for working with religious or environmental studies. I am thoroughly recommending it.[15] All of readers, there is their own interest, here would have greater things of value. By students' wealth greatly available data essays, not only "academic writing" is not only examples that are set differently in, should be improved. More advanced scholarship, not only to see are ready on the topic, many new provocations thinking, not only argument and research, you will find. The basic ones are located here for all kinds of scholarship.[16] They find inspiration here for religiously motivated and poorly'll also more ideas and turn. Library, religious groups, it is not essential to environmental groups, truly multicultural breathing taxingly famous reference work. It is an understatement for these people in the distribution possible about workplace as. Ambition, scope, and to establish the important source is.[17]

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[14] Richard Peto and Colin Baigent, "Trials: The next 50 Years: Large Scale Randomised Evidence of Moderate Benefits," *BMJ* 317, no. 7167 (October 31, 1998): 1170–71, https://doi.org/10.1136/bmj.317.7167.1170.
[15] David Kinsley R, *Hinduism: A Cultural Perspective* (New Jersey, USA: Prentice-Hall Inc., 1993).
[16] Klaus Klostermaier K, *A Survey of Hindusim* (New York, USA: Albany: State University, 1989).
[17] B Freedman, *Equipoise and the Ethics of Clinical Research* (England: N Engl J Med, 1987).

it for the aircraft of the caliber immediately field of study that was sure to draw new readers through the rich of the page and its enormous amount. In addition, the design supports a particular subject over a vast cursory interest and compassion of scholars. In these and other ways, this offer is quite more than meets the eye.[18] I have more than once in the last two decades of the sociology of religion chapter are invited to write an article on the current state. The two stand out in my mind. First, religion and society[19] was a contributing a Wikipedia. The project was led to confusion, "according to fundamentalist, based on one of the world's way of thinking upside down. There is a hard thing to explain. But what is a rare phenomenon in the history of either the knowledge or the contemporary world is that it reveals. Phenomenon difficult to understand the Iranian mullahs[20] is. [21] by. Religion is a good thing, both seriously and-hold signs. However, significantly enhanced the notion of post-secular needs. Europe, for example, are two different things happening at the same time.[22],[23] Religion is a new, unexpected demands in response to a public square to the right again. It is true that in many places it is says remorselessly- to continue the process.[24] As a result, a large section of the population are of European models have lost the knowledge and

[18] J Hopkins Thomas, *The Hindu Religious Tradition*, 9th ed. (California, USA: Encino, Calif Dickenson Pub. Co, 1971).
[19] G Davie, *The Socilogy of Religion* (New York, USA: Alta Mira Press, 1998).
[20] Peter L, *The Desecularization of the World: Resurgent Religion and World Politics*.
[21] Beaumont Baker C J, *Postsecular Cities: Space, Theory and Practice (Continuum Resources in Religion and Political Culture)*, 13th ed. (London, UK: Bloomsbury Publishing Plc, 2011).
[22] Charles Weijer, "Thinking Clearly about Research Risk: Implications of the Work of Benjamin Freedman," *IRB: Ethics & Human Research* 21, no. 6 (1999): 1–5, https://doi.org/10.2307/3564450.
[23] Weijer C and Emanuel, "Ethics. Protecting Communities in Biomedical Research."
[24] L Kopelman, *Estimating Risk in Human Research* (Clinical Research, 1981).

vocabulary necessary to talk about the need of a religion[25]; In many parts of Europe, and the poor quality of the discussion of this feature is to have a clear reason to If all of it, or a post-secular country in such a way that: thinking, David Martin draws on the work of the second strand.[26] Of these, as well as its predecessor. For precisely this reason. The meeting was focused on the state-church, or more precisely, state-religious relations, constitutional lawyers, and brought it together from around the world.[27] The new religion, and religious forms and many different actors (both individuals and groups), case studies and meeting the expectations of the papers presented and displayed a more thematic and straining against the current-conflict settings.[28]

3. METHODOLOGY

3.1 Population: All the (18) Public sector universities were the population for this study.

3.2 Sample: A Sample of 80 Scholars from three departments of Public sector universities selected.

3.3 Research Instrument: Questionnaire was used as research instrument.

3.4 Data Collection: Data were collected as mentioned in sample.

3.5 Data Analysis: Data were analyzed through simple percentages.

4. ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION OF DATA

[25] Weijer C and Emanuel, "Ethics. Protecting Communities in Biomedical Research."

[26] P. G. Zimbardo, S. M. Andersen, and L. G. Kabat, "Induced Hearing Deficit Generates Experimental Paranoia," *Science* 212, no. 4502 (June 26, 1981): 1529–31, https://doi.org/10.1126/science.7233242.

[27] Sarah R. Phillips, "Asking the Sensitive Question: The Ethics of Survey Research and Teen Sex," *IRB: Ethics & Human Research* 16, no. 6 (1994): 1–7, https://doi.org/10.2307/3563878.

[28] Dr Rinaldo Cristofori and Silvio Ferrari, *Law and Religious in the 21st-Century Relation Between States and Religious Communities* (Farnham: Ashgate Publishing, Ltd, 2010).

A means **Agree**, **DA** means **Disagree** and **UD** means **Undecided**

S. No	Statements	**A%**	**DA%**	**UD%**
1	Encyclopedia of Religion is significant in religious study.	40%	45%	15%
2	Encyclopedia of Religion has good effects on scholars.	75%	20%	05%
3	Encyclopedia of Religion is increasing critical thinking.	80%	18%	02%
4	Encyclopedia of Religion has true knowledge.	40%	60%	00%
5	Encyclopedia of Religion has fruitful knowledge of Islam.	40%	53%	07%
6	Encyclopedia is of Religion is the accurate picture of religions.	35%	35%	30%
7	Encyclopedia of Religion is giving explanations.	60%	35%	05%
8	Encyclopedia of Religion is clearing the concepts.	75%	23%	02%
9	Encyclopedia of Religion is helpful in comparative studies.	85%	13%	02%
10	Encyclopedia of Religion is the collection of information.	90%	09%	01%
11	Encyclopedia of Religion has enough knowledge of Islam.	30%	50%	20%
12	Encyclopedia of Religion	50%	40%	10%

	developing scholars' study habits.			
13	Encyclopedia of Religion develops new knowledge.	72%	23%	05%
14	Encyclopedia of Religion is essential in other studies.	40%	58%	02%
15	Encyclopedia of Religion is the true efforts of writers.	60%	35%	05%

4.1 FINDINGS:

40 % were agreeing that Encyclopedia of Religion is significant in religious study, while 45 % Disagree and 15 % were undecided. 75 % agreeing, 20 % Disagree and 05 were undecided regarding has good effects on scholars. 80 % says that it is increasing critical thinking, while 18 % disagreeing and 02 % were undecided. 40 % agreed, 60 % disagreed and 00 % undecided in response to Encyclopedia of Religion has true knowledge. Encyclopedia of Religion has fruitful knowledge of Islam Statement was asked, 40 % agreed, 53 % disagreed and 07 % undecided. As a result of Encyclopedia is of Religion is the accurate picture of religions, 35 % agreed, 35 % disagreed and 30 % undecided. In response to Statement No. 7, 60 % agreed, 35 % disagreed and 05 % undecided. Statement No, 8, 75 % agreed, 23 % disagreed and 02 % undecided. Encyclopedia of Religion is helpful in comparative studies, 85 % agreed, 13 % disagreed and 02 % undecided. As a result of Statement 10, 90 % agreed, 09 % disagreed and 01 % undecided. Statement 11 results showed that 30 % agreed, 50 % disagreed and 20 % undecided. Encyclopedia of Religion developing scholars' study habits, 50 % agreed, 40 % disagreed

and 10 % undecided. Encyclopedia of Religion develops new knowledge results were 72 % agreed, 23 % disagreed and 05 % undecided. Statement No, 14 results identified that 40 % agreed, 58 % disagreed and 02 % undecided. Encyclopedia of Religion is the true efforts of writers, responses were 60 % agreed, 35 % disagreed and 05 % undecided.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the findings the following recommendations are made:

- It is recommended that religious students and especially scholars must need to study Encyclopedia of Religion for strengthen their knowledge, critical thinking.
- It is recommended that scholars must read it with the Quranic Dictionary.
- It is recommended that the scholars must strong their English language, especially literary term in the Encyclopedia of Religion.
- It is recommended that the scholars must learn religious terminologies.